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Building Sale of Ladies'

Ready-to-Wear Skirts

"An ounce of satisfaction is worth a pound of talk," so we will give you an ounce of talk and you can get a ton of satisfaction by buying one of these

LADIES' SERGE SKIRTS

Made of our own cheviot finished, all-wool Serge, in the very latest style with flounce. Would cost you \$4.50 if you bought the goods and had it made. Our building sale price

\$3.50

LADIES' SERGE SKIRTS

In navy or black, made with graduated circular flounce, trimmed with three rows of tafeta bands and stitched, lined with best percaline lining, made of regular \$1.00 Serge, our own goods, would cost you \$7.50 if you bought the goods and had it made yourself. Our special building sale price

\$6.50

THOMAS STONE & SON, IMPORTERS

Leather is Not High at Turrill's

American
and
Canadian
Foot-
wear



American
and
Canadian
Foot-
wear

Our chief achievement is to give our customers the latest styles combined with comfort and durability, at the lowest possible prices.

Our Boys' Shoes

Cannot be surpassed for Style and Wear, Especially Box Calf Bal, latest style, \$1.50.

TURRILL'S SHOE STORE

TANNING FACTORY

Proposal to Establish a Large Manufacturing Concern in Maple City—Representative Here.

There are possibilities of a tanning factory coming here if proper inducements are offered. Harry Hill represents the Cleveland Tanning Co. of Cleveland, Ohio, is in the city. He will meet the civic industrial committee at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The Cleveland Tanning Co. takes in about 300 hides a week and turns out 1200 split hides. The company will invest \$50,000 and will employ fifty men all the year round. There is only one factory of this kind in Canada. The factory and grounds they will

build here will cover about five acres. Several eastern cities are after this factory, but a factory here would be more convenient to the one in Cleveland. There are also better connections between Chatham and Cleveland, especially in summer.

LAI D TO REST.

The remains of the late Mrs. C. R. Atkinson, Jr., were reverently laid to rest in Maple Leaf Cemetery yesterday afternoon, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The services were conducted by the Rev. Robt. Sims. The pall-bearers were:—L. L. Nichol, Captain Massey, Chas. Hadley, Fred Ridley, Captain McLaren and Thos. Scullard. The floral tributes, sent by sorrowing relatives and friends, were very beautiful and appropriate.

BOTHA SHOWS GOOD SENSE

He and Other Boers Leaders Have Decided to Repudiate Kruger's Authority.

Lord Kitchener Reports Another List of Boer Casualties—Pursuit of Kritzinger Keep Invaders Moving.

London, June 18.—Lord Kitchener, in a despatch from Bloemfontein, sends the following report of Boer casualties since his last weekly telegram, exclusive of the killed and wounded accounted for in the fight with De Wet, mentioned in his despatch of last Saturday: Killed, 24; wounded, 14; prisoners, 265; surrendered, 165; rifles captured, 137; small-arm ammunition, rounds, 8,200; wagons, 198; horses, 1,500; cattle, 3,000. Among the latest prisoners captured by the British is Mr. Tengbergen, the Landdrost of Mrs. Botha, the wife of the Boer commandant-general, who is now in Europe. Landdrost, Von Brandis, of Piet Retief, has also been taken prisoner.

The casualties mentioned in Monday's cables as having occurred at Graspan are merely corrected returns of the fight with De Wet reported by Lord Kitchener on Saturday.

SURROUNDED A PATROL.

Cape Town, June 18.—Sir Gordon Sprigg, the Prime Minister of Cape Colony, reports that 150 Boers in the vicinity of Calvinia, in the western part of the colony, under Commandant Maritz, surrounded a British patrol of twenty-nine men. The British had two killed, two wounded and twenty were captured. The Boers are being closely pursued.

REBELS ON THE MOVE.

A force of rebels at Kakamas, in Gordonia, some miles to the east of Prieska, in the Cape Colony, numbering about 200, has moved to the southwest.

IN THE MIDLAND DISTRICT.

Col. Doran has engaged 100 Boers in the Midland district. The burghers had two men killed and three wounded.

LOOTED STORES.

Another part of Scheepers' commando entered Murraysburg on Thursday and looted the stores.

THE PURSUIT OF KRITZINGER.

The chase after Commandant Kritzinger, who broke back from the Barkley East district, has not as yet led to any result other than keeping the invaders moving in several detached parties, which are spread over the Alberta and Marasburg districts.

NEARLY 20,000 PRISONERS.

The Boer prisoners now number 19,242.

BOTHA'S GOOD SENSE.

London, June 19.—The Sun, which, however, has not heretofore been over reliable on this subject, hears that Mr. Kruger has actually cabled to Gen. Botha declining to concede anything, and that in consequence of this decision, Gen. Botha and the commandants agreeing with his peace views, have decided to repudiate Mr. Kruger's authority, and a further consultation with Botha's representative and Lord Kitchener will be arranged for next week.

On the Track of the Escaped Convicts.

An All Night Chase of the Trio of Truant Desperadoes.

Once Early this Morning the Police Posse was Almost Upon Them.

Account of the Chase by The Planet Representative Who Was Present.

RETURN OF THE TIRED OFFICERS AND REORGANIZATION OF THE HUNT.

The mystery surrounding the sudden disappearance of the three jail-breakers—Abram, Epperson and Siddals—has been cleared up, and all because a man got into a row with his wife and blacked up her eyes.

After the trio had made their dramatic disappearance into Chatham township, they made a detour and concealed themselves in the woods of Mr. Wilson, near the cemetery. They stayed there Sunday night and Monday, being, it is said, supplied with food by friends.

The first news the police received came last evening through Mrs. Marble. Through her it was learned that her daughter, "Dunny," who is married to Aaron Siddals, a brother of the escaped prisoner, could give some information. Mrs. Aaron Siddals is the woman who became insane and was sent to the London Asylum after she had attempted to drown herself in a well.

P. C. Dezelia interviewed the woman. He found her at the residence



P. C. DEZELIA.
(Who received the first information.)

of her mother, Queen St., and she had one of her eyes badly bruised. From her the officer learned that the men had been lying hiding in Wilson's bush. Her husband and his brother John, she said, had been visiting them at night and furnishing them with food. She had strongly objected to this because of the differences between her mother and Sam Siddals.

It will be remembered that Mrs. Marble had Sam Siddals arrested on a charge of indecent assault, and it was for this offence, coupled with the stealing of a watch, that he was sentenced to a year and a half in the Central Prison. Then her husband, who had been working for Frank Wilson, wanted to draw his money and go with the three jail-breakers and John Siddals to Detroit.

Aaron Siddals and his wife had a terrible row over this and he, she claims, struck her, blacking her eye. She didn't want him to go. He, however, went over to Mr. Wilson, but the latter wouldn't give him the money till it was due, Saturday night.

The Planet learned this at the same time as the police and this journal at

once despatched a representative to beat up the bush and locate the escaped men.

About six o'clock a messenger, much exhausted with fast riding, rode madly up to the residence of Chief Young with the information that the three men had been seen near Fletcher, on the sixth concession of Raleigh. They were accompanied by a fourth man, who, it is supposed, is either John or Aaron Siddals.

The posse that had been prepared to raid Frank Wilson's woods, was at once despatched to Fletcher. There were two double rigs containing P. C. Tom Groves (in charge), James Dodson, Capt. Coggan, Constable Cape and a Planet representative. It was quite evident to the authorities that the runaways had become frightened when Mrs. Siddals had returned to her mother and that they had departed. They took the sixth concession because it is so secluded and lined with bushes, which would protect them from observation.

The posse left the police station at 7.45. At Indian Creek, they were met by The Planet man, who had been sent to Wilson's bush, and he followed them on his wheel. The route was taken out the seventh concession, then back to the sixth, and on the sixth concession to a mile this side of Fletcher, where an old mill used to stand. The posse travelled at a rapid rate and by 9.15 had reached the site of the old mill, where the first stop was made.

At this point there are a number of vacant houses, once occupied by the mill hands. It was along here that the robbers were first seen and the houses and outlying land were carefully examined, but no trace of the jail-breakers could be discovered. The posse then decided to push on, on the trail. Here one of The Planet representatives left and returned to the city, the other remaining with the posse. As Tom Groves left on his onward hunt he remarked, "Tell Judge Houston and Sheriff Gemmill we won't be back till to-morrow, some time, and later if need be. We will stay with the scent as long as there is any use. We want the three, but we want Beck the worst of all, and we will get him if possible."

The three runaways were seen about six o'clock last evening a mile this side of Fletcher on the sixth concession. They were strung out along the road. As the Chatham man passed, Siddals put his handkerchief to his face to hide his features. Abram was boldly talking to a man sitting on the fence, and Beck was lying with another man on the roadside a hundred yards further towards town.

The information that the authorities had received a clue to the whereabouts of the escaped convicts was first given to the public shortly after eight o'clock by a Planet window bulletin.

At ten o'clock this journal issued a brief "Extra" giving the first facts of the organization of the posse in pursuit and their preliminary operations.

At eleven o'clock the news that the officers had reached Fletcher, where they received much information to strengthen their knowledge of the whereabouts of the jail truant, was brought to the city by the returned

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Have you ever tried a purchase at our store? If not, will you not give us a trial?

PEACE'S SHOE STORE

4th Store from the Market.

NEARING THE END

A Planet Representative Sends in an Important Despatch This Morning.

William Angus, the member of The Planet staff who was with the police posse throughout the whole of their night work, wired this journal from Tilbury at eight o'clock this morning as follows:—

Arrived here early this morning. Officers have put in a most energetic night's work and are now convinced that they are nearing a successful end of their effort.

"Information from all sources regarding the near whereabouts of the trio is met with on every concession and, if reliable, I do not think there is any doubt that the officers will recapture the men."

"Groves says he now feels confident that they will be secured by noon, if information he received is accurate."

"The posse is armed and put in a busy night, for which they deserve credit. There was lots of hard, constant work to be done. Am forward-



OFFICER TOM GROVES.
(Who was in charge of the expedition.)

ing to The Planet by this morning's mail my 'copy' giving details. The intention is to put on from here immediately.

"Groves requests me to tell you to ask Mr. Houston to postpone the Police Court Case in which Constable Cape is interested until his return, and to arrange with police in town to feed the Police Court prisoners."

"Will telegraph The Planet any further developments immediately. 'Copy' by mail."

"ANGUS."

Immediately on receipt of this message The Planet notified Judge Houston and Sheriff Gemmill conveyed the messages regarding the Police Court doings. Mr. Angus, it will be seen, proceeded with the posse, and The Planet will at once make public any further information received from its energetic and capable representative.

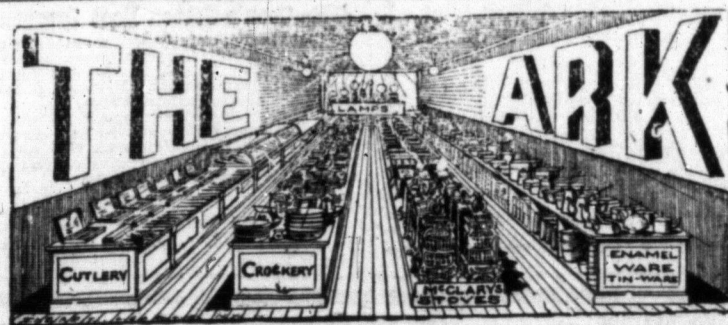
THE TRIP

Posse Returned to the Maple City This Afternoon Minus the Prisoners—Another Squad Will Likely Go Out.

The posse returned to this city this afternoon at 3 o'clock after a very hard day's work. They did not bring in the prisoners, however, the men having given them the "slip" at Tilbury. When the police party left Chatham yesterday evening they proceeded direct to Fletcher, where the four men were seen by the man who gave the information to the authorities.

The people residing along the road for one mile east of Fletcher were closely examined by officers Groves and Cape. In one of these places a little boy stated that he had seen four men walking along the road.

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Hot Weather Necessaries

Are many and varied, but they should include what insures comfort and health. A Summer Cook Stove for gas, gasoline or coal oil, should be in every household in warm weather. Coal Oil Stoves at \$6.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.50. The Blue Flame, a perfect worker, for \$4.00. The American Wickless burner, \$8.00. American Gasoline Stoves, \$3.50, \$5.00 and \$6.50. Handy Gas Stoves 90c, \$2 and \$3. Cabinet Gas Ranges for \$15. Gasoline and coal supplied to customers at lowest prices.

Now is the time for screen doors and windows. Measure the size required before leaving your order.

H. MACAULAY, "THE ARK"